



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HOSHI, George et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3753**

Serial No.: **09/893,522**

Examiner: **FOX, John C.**

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For: **FLUID CONTROL DEVICE**

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 17, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **April 14, 2006** and the Office Action dated **November 17, 2006**, further to the Response filed August 14, 2006 and Request for Continued Examination filed October 5, 2006, extended to **January 17, 2007** by a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, entry of the following amendments and remarks, further examination, and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.